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Information Resources Management College Wins Corporate University Xchange Award for Corporate/College Partnerships

Washington, DC (March 12, 2007) – The National Defense University's Information Resources Management (IRM) College was selected as a **Best Practice Award winner** in the category of "Corporate/College Partnerships" at the 8th Annual Corporate University Xchange Awards for Excellence and Innovation in Corporate Learning at a ceremony on February 27, 2007 at the Disney Coronado Resort, Orlando, Florida.

The Corporate University Xchange Awards salute corporate and government learning organizations that create exciting, impactful programs that result in measurable improvements in employee and business performance. Since 1999, the Awards, given by Corporate University Xchange (CUX, <http://www.corpu.com>) have set the standard for corporate learning. "Each of these winning programs has a measurable impact on a company's ability to execute their business strategy," said Sue Todd, president and CEO of CUX. "We congratulate them."

The Corporate/College Partnerships Awards recognized, "Working in partnership with a college or university to address critical business challenges." Since the mid 1990's the IRM College has formed academic partnerships with universities across the country. The program has expanded over the past few years and now includes nearly 30 partner schools that accept course credit for IRM College graduates. In addition to formal credit acceptance arrangements, the College works with its academic partners on special projects and connects federal government workers with universities in their area. The College's academic partner program is estimated to have saved the U.S. Government over one million dollars since its inception.

The (IRM) College opened its doors in March 1990, and with approximately 3,500 students enrolled per year, is now the largest of the NDU colleges. The original charter designated the IRM College as an educational institution for the U.S. Department of Defense; however, the College's role has expanded in recent years to develop leaders for the entire Federal Government. The College's mission is to prepare military and civilian leaders to direct the information component of national power by leveraging information and information technology for strategic advantage. More information on the IRM College and the CUX Award can be found on the College's website, www.ndu.edu/irmc.

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